encroachments on forest land has been sent by the Government of Bihar

(b) and (c) Do not arise

Excavation of Hills

2604 SHRI SURESH PRABHU Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state

(a) whether excavation of hills etc at Konkan is effecting the environment

(b) if so whether any action is being taken in the matter, and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD) (a) Maharashtra Government have reported that they give permision for excavation of hills for stone bricks, soil etc duly observing environmental safeguards

(b) and (c) State Government have reported that they have given instructions to field officers to prevent unauthorised quarrying

Sanctuaries and National Parks

2605 SHRI K.C KONDAIAH Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state

(a) whether the Government have issued directions to the States for the development of National Parks and Sanctuaries,

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount of financial assistance provided to improve Wild Life Sanctuaries and National Parks in each State during the last three years and the current year, year-wise, and

(d) the amount spent by each State for development of sanctuaries and National Parks during the said period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD) (a) and (b) Yes, Sir From time to time this Ministry has been writing to the States to ensure effective conservation and development of national parks and sanctuaries The priority actions suggested include allocation of adequate financial resources, development of trainned staff, provision of infrastructural facilities and protection measures, completion of legal procedures for settlement of rights, preparation of management plans, incentives and welfare measures to the staff etc.

(c) and (d) A statement showing the amount of financial assistance provided to the States and Union Territories in the last 3 years and the current year for the development of national parks and sanctuaries under the centrally sponsored schemes on "Development of National Parks and Sanctuaries", "Project Tiger" and "Ecodevelopment in and Around National Parks and Sanctuaries Including Tiger Reserves" is given in the attached statement The statement also shows the amount utilised by the States in each of the years.

STATEMENT

The Amount of Financial Assistance provided to the States and Union Territories in the last three years and the current year for the development of National Parks and Sanctuaries under various Centrally Sponsored Schemes

(Rs in lakhs)

State	1993-94		1994-95		1995-96		1996-97 (Upto Nov 96)
	S	U	S	U	S	U	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Andhra Pradesh	99.45	94.78	115.093	92.383	137.103	39.64	8.00
Arunachal Pradesh	78.823	46.042	73.908	47.53	18.188	8.95	4.49
Assam	151.60	103.02	42.325	42.05	55.65	34.81	-
Bihar	32.70	24.45	117.60	72.17	64.36	59.50	41.50
Goa	14.485	4.425	14.301	9.951	5.478	0.11	-
Gujarat	50.143	36.822	31.70	-	39.43	-	-
Haryana	10.75	6.00	18.48	17.83	13.13	9.49	-
Himachal Pradesh	96.935	45.293	120.013	89.096	76.78	32.66	10.10